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A protein comprising amino acid sequence according to SEQ ID NO 1, a DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO 11 or 21, encoding this protein, as well as an expression vector capable of expressing this sequence and a eukaryotic cell expressing the DNA, as well as an antibody direct against the above mentioned protein.

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